Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application. No changes are made herein.

Listing of Claims:

1. **(Previously Presented)** An apparatus for managing multimedia content, said apparatus comprising:

a processor;

an arrangement for supplying multimedia content;

an input interface for permitting a selection, for observation, of at least one of the following modes associated with the multimedia content: an audio portion that includes video; and a video portion that includes audio; and

an arrangement for labeling observations of a selected mode;

wherein said arrangement for labeling observations of a selected mode comprises:

an arrangement for assigning semantic, multimedia content-based labels to segments of said observations of a selected mode;

wherein said arrangement for assigning semantic, multimedia content-based labels is configured to:

provide a label from a predefined set of multimedia content descriptors; and

assign a new label not present in said predefined set of multimedia content descriptors; <u>and</u>

an arrangement permitting a user to label audio while viewing video having:

a check box for labeling foreground sounds;

a check box for labeling background sounds; and

a keyword text box arrangement; and

an arrangement for storing said semantic, multimedia content-based labels with the multimedia content.

2. **(Original)** The apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said input interface permits the selection, for observation, of both of the following associated with the multimedia content: an audio portion that includes video; and a video portion that includes audio.

3. **(Original)** The apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said input interface additionally permits the selection, for observation, of solely a video portion of multimedia content.

4. **(Original)** The apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said input interface additionally permits the selection, for observation, of solely an audio portion of multimedia content.

5. **(Previously Presented)** The apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said arrangement for supplying multimedia content comprises a working memory which stores labeled multimedia files in an industry standard format.

6. **(Original)** The apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said input interface is adapted to: first permit the selection of a multimedia file and then permit the selection of said at least one of: an audio portion simultaneously with video; and a video portion simultaneously with audio.

7. **(Previously Presented)** The apparatus according to Claim 1, further comprising a working memory for saving the labeled observations of a selected mode.

8. **(Original)** The apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said input interface is adapted to permit the selection, for observation, at least the following mode associated with the multimedia content: a video portion that includes audio.

9. **(Original)** The apparatus according to Claim 8, wherein said input interface comprises:

an arrangement for permitting the selection, for observation, of a video mode of multimedia content; and

an arrangement for selectably adding audio to the video mode for observation.

10-18. **(Cancelled)**

19. **(Previously Presented)** A program storage device readable by machine, tangibly embodying a program of instructions executable by the machine to perform method steps for managing multimedia content, said method comprising the steps of:

supplying multimedia content;

permitting a selection, for observation, of at least one of the following modes associated with the multimedia content: an audio portion that includes video; and a video portion that includes audio;

labeling observations of a selected mode; and

assigning semantic, multimedia content-based labels to segments of said observations of a selected mode;

wherein said assigning semantic, multimedia content-based labels comprises performing:

selecting a label from a predefined set of multimedia content descriptors; and

assigning a new label not present in said pre-defined set of multimedia content descriptors;

labeling audio while viewing video via: one or more check boxes configured for labeling foreground and background sounds, and a keyword text box; and

storing said semantic, multimedia content-based labels with the multimedia content.

20-25. **(Cancelled)**